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Pursuant to Local Rule 40.1(e), Defendants state that the following additional action pending before this Court appear to be related to this action:

- 1. Hursh v. Countrywide Financial Corp., Case No. 08 CV 1313-J-NLS (S.D. Cal.).
- . 2. These actions are related because they: (a) arise from the same or substantially identical transactions, happenings, or events; and (b) are likely for other reasons to entail substantial duplication of labor if heard by different judges.
- 3. The two actions involve common issues of law and fact, common parties, and common witnesses.
- 4. The two actions also rely on substantially similar facts and seek to recover damages from Defendants for allegedly similar harms and grievances.
- 5. Plaintiffs allege that Defendants originated or serviced residential mortgage loans, in an unlawful, unfair, or deceptive fashion by misrepresenting or concealing the terms, risks, or suitability of the loans, and/or by placing borrowers in loans that they could not afford. Plaintiffs allege that as a result of Defendants' alleged conduct, they (or, in the attorney general action, consumers on whose behalf the claims are being brought) suffered damages stemming from higher interest rates than they anticipated paying, negative amortization, prepayment penalties, and other allegedly undisclosed or partially disclosed fees or expenses. Plaintiffs also allege that Defendants' conduct led to foreclosures and harm to plaintiffs' credit and financial position.
- 6. Pursuant to Rule 40.1(e), assignment of these actions to a single judge will ensure that both the parties' and the Court's resources are utilized efficiently. Assignment to a single judge will avoid the confusion of issues, duplicative effort, and the potentially inconsistent results if these actions continue to proceed before separate judges.

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